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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 3,695,606 (Wirz), dated October 3, 1972, and corresponding German Patent DE 1 929 714 (Wirz), dated May 22, 1974;

German Patent DE 932 495 (Hense), dated September 1, 1955, Suction Device in Sheet Feeders for Separating and Feeding Sheets to the Front Guide of a Printing, Folding Machine or the Like;

German Published Prosecuted Patent Application DE 1 782 267, dated February 5, 1959, Device for Separating the Top Sheet of a Sheet Pile;

German Search Report, dated May 26, 2003.

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